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SUBJECT: US PROTEST RE SOVIET USE OF YUGOSLAV AIRSPACE
FOR ANGOLAN AIRLIFT

1. DEPARTMENT HAS NOTED WITH INDIGNATION THAT SOVIET
FLIGHTS FERRYING MILITARY SUPPLIES ARE TRANSITING
YUGOSLAV AIRSPACE IN MAJOR AIRLIFT TO ANGOLA. SOVIET
PURPOSE IN ANGOLA IS TO IMPOSE RULE OF MINORITY
REGIME (MPLA) WITH HELP OF 5,000 OR MORE CUBAN TROOPS.
US IS FIRMLY OPPOSED TO THIS POWER GRAB AND CANNOT ACCEPT
WITHOUT PROTEST YUGOSLAVIA'S COOPERATING IN SUCH AN
ENDEAVOR. AMBASSADOR SHOULD DELIVER FOLLOWING NOTE SOONEST
TO MFA AT HIGHEST LEVEL.

2. COMPLIMENTARY OPENING-"THE US GOVERNMENT HAS NOTED WITH
INDIGNATION AND DISAPPROVAL THAT SOVIET AIRCRAFT BRINGING
ARMS TO AND RETURNING FROM ANGOLA ARE PERMITTED TO FLY
OVER YUGOSLAV TERRITORY. AS GOY IS WELL AWARE, THE SOVIET
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AIRLIFT IS PROVIDING ARMS FOR ONE SIDE IN THE BLOODY

ANGOLAN CIVIL WAR IN CONTRAVENTION OF AN OAU CALL FOR AN
END TO FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT. THIS IS A SPECTACULAR DEMON-
STRATION OF SOVIET PREPAREDNESS TO INTERVENE IN DISTANT
LANDS, AND ONE WHICH USG CONDEMNS AS AN UNDISGUISED POWER
PLAY.

USG STRONGLY URGES THAT GOY FORBID USE OF ITS AIR-
SPACE BY SOVIET MILITARY AIRLIFT TO ONE FACTION IN
ANGOLA. IT DOES NOT SEE HOW IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF
A NATION ITSELF VULNERABLE TO SOVIET POWER, AND
DEDICATED TO THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-ALIGNMENT, TO ACQUIESCE
IN A SOVIET ATTEMPT TO ASSERT DOMINATION OVER ANGOLA.

USG TAKES A GRAVE VIEW OF THE SOVIET EFFORT, SUPPORTED
BY MASSIVE ARMS DELIVERIES, TO IMPOSE ONE FACTION AS THE
GOVERNMENT OF ANGOLA.

IT IS FOR THIS REASON THAT THE USG VIEWS WITH EQUAL
GRAVITY THE WILLINGNESS OF THE GOY TO PERMIT SUCH SOVIET
OVERFLIGHTS. USG WOULD NOT WISH ITS BILATERAL RELATIONS
WITH GOY TO BE AFFECTED BY THEIR CONTINUANCE. UNQUOTE.
COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE. KISSINGER

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